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## Last Vows

On February 2, 1932, the following will pronounce their Last Vows in the Province: Fathers William G. Elliott, Paul F. Corkery, John T. Prange, Charles L. O'Brien, James J. Lyons, James H. Strehl, Thomas A. Steele, Lloyd R. Burns, David M. Daze, and Brother Francis J. Lacey. Father John P. Fox is also to pronounce his Last Vows, but on account of the difficulty of reaching him in Alaska at this season of the year, the date is unknown.

## BROPHY COLLEGE

### Successful Elocution

On Thursday evening, December 10, Brophy College High School held its second annual elocution contest with the boys speaking to a crowded house. This contest is still somewhat of a novelty in Phoenix, and comments of praise were heard on all sides. The speakers were almost without exception away above par, even as par is found in our Jesuit schools. One of the boys, a transfer student, using the same selection with which he had won a gold medal last year in an eastern Jesuit school, came in only fourth. Father Gleeson was visiting us at the time, and while the judges were trying to determine the winner, he took the platform and gave an enlightening talk on the place elocution holds in the Jesuit curriculum, and pointed his remarks with illustrations

drawn from the success of many well known public speakers who had their training in Jesuit colleges. The contest over, one of the judges, who is also the instructor in elocution at the local public high school, asked Father Fox, director, of public speaking at Brophy, to bring five or six of the boys to the public school classes for a demonstration of what can be accomplished. The intimation was that they themselves were not meeting with much success.

### New Notre Dame Shift

Sickness has once again temporarily disrupted the order of classes at Brophy. Father Justin McCarthy took to his bed late in December with a bad cold and throat trouble, and his illness was destined to keep him in the hospital over the holidays. In the absence of Father O'Keeffe, who was making his retreat at Del Rey, and who generally is the only man free to step into a breach, other faculty members had to shift classes about and double up on time.

### Elite Assemblage

Father Fox, director of the Brophy Men's Association, gathered together in the College dining room on December 9th, what has been termed the most elite assemblage ever held in Phoenix. The Brophy Men's Association was giving a testimonial supper to the new Rector, Father O'Keeffe; and State, County and City officials graced the board. The Governor was busy elsewhere, but sent a personal representative who spoke in

the name of the Governor, and said, amongst other things, that the magnificent pile of buildings at Brophy College was only the wealth of Arizona taken out of the ground and given lasting and useful shape. He urged other Arizonians who have exploited the mineral wealth of the State to imitate the example of Mrs. Brophy and bring her work to completion. The Mayor and many other officials spoke; as also the Jewish Rabbi who, remarking that the Pope had a Rabbi in charge of the Semitic department of the Vatican Library, humorously offered his services to Father O'Keeffe.

### Catholic Half Hour

The Catholic Half Hour, conducted by Father Vaughan over station KOY, 1390 kilos., has changed its time, and henceforth will go on the air each Wednesday evening at 8:30 Phoenix time, or 7:30 Coast time. Comments continue to come in from near and far. We would like to hear from some of our own houses, especially in the Northwest. Such letters when shown to the station manager will help the cause.

### Patron Honored

The Feast of St. Francis Xavier, patron of the College and the Church, was duly celebrated with the assistance of the Franciscan and Claretian Fathers. Father O'Keeffe sang the Mass, Father Martin Knauff O. F. M. was deacon, and Father A. G. Nebreda C. M. F. was subdeacon. Father Vaughan preached the sermon. A choir of Indian children from St. John's Mission sang the Missa de Angelis. The entire celebration was arranged in three days. Next year the whole ceremony including the sermon will likely be turned over to visiting clergy.

### Indian Christmas Communion

On Sunday, December 20th, the children at the nearby government Indian School made their Christmas Communion, to the number of two hundred. These children are under the spiritual care of Father Burns; the confessional work, however, is shared by all the Fathers. On the Saturday before such Communion days it is necessary to send several Fathers to spend the morning in the confessional. It is a laborious work but one of zeal.

### Indian Sanitarium

Our parish contains the U. S. Government Indian Tuberculosis Sanitarium, to which are sent tubercular Indians from all parts. Father Burns has charge of their spiritual welfare. On Sunday, December 13th, Father Burns prepared thirty of these children and gave them Holy Communion.

### Brophy Guild

The Brophy College Guild, a mothers' club, organized about two months ago along the lines of similar institutions in our other colleges, held its second meeting on December 11th, during which the newly written constitution and by-laws were read and approved. Father O'Keeffe presided, and Fr. Gleeson, then visiting here, gave an inspiring talk on the success of such clubs elsewhere.

### Supply for Christmas

Over the Christmas holidays several Fathers went out as usual to give Triduums in various religious communities, and to help isolated priests, especially in the smaller villages along the border where the Mexican population has been more or less without religious services during the entire year.

### Nine Retreats

To celebrate properly the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of their organization, the Knights of Columbus of Arizona have decided to have an open retreat for each of their nine Councils, and have asked for a Jesuit to conduct them. These retreats, which are in reality only glorified missions, will be conducted in successive weeks by Father Vaughan, who will become for the time being a sort of Missionarius Excurrens. The first retreat begins in Douglas, January 12th, and the last end nine weeks later.

### No Endowment

Editor,  
Arizona Republic.

May I have a little space in your columns to correct a false impression about Brophy College?

It is often asserted that the college is endowed.

The statement is false.

Brophy College is not endowed.

It is true that Mrs. William H. Brophy gave the college its land and its buildings. But such a gift, though



great, is not an endowment.

Money out at interest, stocks, bonds, improved real estate which can be rented—in a word, property which yields an income—constitute endowment.

Now Brophy College has no such property. Therefore it is not endowed.

Free-will offerings and comparatively small fees paid by some students are the only income of Brophy College. Many students cannot pay all the fees; a few can pay scarcely any.

As this income is quite insufficient, the college must seek benefactors, and to find them, the college must make clear that it is not endowed.

Very truly yours,

(Rev.) LAWRENCE E. O'KEEFFE,  
S. J.,  
President of Brophy College.  
Nov. 26, 1931.

## EL RETIRO

### New Statue

On Sunday, November 29, 1931, the statue of Christ the King which crowns the highest knoll on the property, was blessed by Very Rev. Fr. Provincial. The statue is a gift of one of the first retreatants at El Retiro, and is to bear a plate stating that it is in memory of Fr. Gaicobbi who was present at that retreat. Some forty retreatants with their wives came for the occasion. They formed an attractive group as they stood in a wide semi-circle on the path below the statue.

New officers were then elected with John Morris as president, and Florence McAuliffe as Vice-President. A pleasant dinner followed, and the day was concluded by Benediction at which three ex-Presidents served; Messrs. Roy Bronson, Vincent Butler, Frank Barrett.

### Oakland Division

On December 8, 1931, the Oakland Division of the Laymen's Retreat Association, held a dinner at the Athletic Club in Oakland. Nearly 300 were present. Besides the courtesy talks given by several of the guests, there was an address by V. R. Thomas F. Burke, C. S. P. who spoke on the recurring error of present and past systems by which God is dethroned and man enthroned and made a god unto himself. This error the retreat work vigorously opposes.

Mr. Earl Warren, District Attorney, a non-Catholic, strongly advocated the retreat work, as a means of bettering citizens, saving homes from being broken, protecting the Republic from over-throw by Communism. Mr. Warren has made a retreat at El Retiro, and intends to go again.

### Watsonville

During a retreat given by Father Joseph Stack to the women at Watsonville, the average evening attendance was 350. In the morning at both masses there were many communicants. And a fair crowd at the afternoon instruction.

### Retreat Conference

The Boston National Conference of the Retreat Association which was to be held in January 1932, has been canceled on account of hard times. Father Flaherty, Father McCumiskey and Father Jos. Sullivan were to have been present.

### Father Mahony

Father Mahony fell and sprained his ankle in December.

### Retreat

Beginning December 27, Father Joseph Stack gave an 8-day retreat to 14 Holy Name Sisters, Oakland.

### New Superior

Father Thomas J. Flaherty was appointed Superior on Dec. 27, 1931.

## LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

### Library

The Library Tea given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Montgomery on Sunday afternoon, December 6th, was a decided success, netting many books, quite a tidy sum of money, and not a few friends for the University Library. A new bank of steel shelves has been installed to receive the additional volumes and it is hoped that before the end of the year the requisite number of books for a standard college library will have been procured.

### Holidays

Christmas holidays began on December 19th. Fathers Heney, Rudolph and Stockman journeyed north. Requests for assistant priests over Christmas were exceptionally few this year.

### Triduums

Father Rector preached the triduum for the St. Vincent de Paul Society at the Cathedral on December 10th, 11th

and 12th. Father James Hayes gave the renovation triduum.

#### Vow Man

Father David Daze received official notification that he is to pronounce his last vows on Feb. 2nd.

#### Retreat

Rev. Father Lawrence O'Keefe made his retreat at the University.

#### Conference

Father Stockmann represented the University at the International Relations Conference at Riverside, December 14th and to the great regret of all present was not able to stay for the entire session of three days.

#### Association of Colleges

Fathers Rector and Duce attended the meeting of the Association of Colleges and Universities of the Pacific Southwest at the University of Southern California, December 17th. The Association has no accrediting power but much good is expected from the interchange of ideas and from the acquaintances formed.

#### Benefactor Injured

Mr. M. F. O'Dea, who gave one hundred thousand dollars to Father Joseph Sullivan for the erection of the Faculty Building at Del Rey, was critically injured by an auto on Thanksgiving Day. Both legs and the right arm were broken, but in spite of this and of his eighty years he seems well on the road to recovery.

#### Football

The football season ended in a blaze of glory by the defeat of Drake. High commendation of the sportsmanship of the team is heard on every side. Hearts and hopes are now set on the game with University of Southern California, the date for which has been fixed for October 15th, 1932.

#### Hockey

The Hockey team is to take part in the winter games at Yosemite under the guidance of Coach Tom Lieb.

#### Diocesan Retreat

Fr. Zacheus Maher gave the diocesan clergy their retreat at Tucson, Arizona, last November. Some 20 priests made the retreat. And one day Bishop Gercke served the Mass of Father Maher.

## LOS GATOS

### Shakespeare Lectures

On the evening of November 20, Fr. Edward Shipsey delivered a most interesting and educational lecture to the juniors on Shakespeare and his plays. The lecture lasted for an hour or more. Father laid particular stress on two very important points of view in studying Shakespeare, namely, the "WHY" and the "HOW" of Shakespeare. This was the first of a series of lectures that has been arranged. Fr. Shipsey will address the juniors again in the near future. The main object, in view, is to give the juniors an idea of what is being done in our colleges, and to arouse enthusiasm for their future work as teachers.

### Sick

Bro. Anthony Kulwicz, a junior, received medical attention in St. Mary's Hospital, San Francisco. He returned to Los Gatos on December 19.

Bro. Dominic Harrington, a second year novice, was in O'Connor's Sanitarium during the last week of November and during the first week of December. He underwent a successful operation.

### Retreats

Fr. Thomas P. Flaherty, who is stationed at El Retiro, began an 8-day retreat for a small group of coadjutors brothers on the evening of Nov. 28. The brothers who made the exercises were, Bros. Francis J. Reinkey; Harold Michon; William Riley, and James Finnegan, stationed at Los Gatos; also, Bro. James Twohig and Bro. Daniel Danahy, from the Provincial's residence; Bro. Angelo Moneta from Bellarmine; and Bro. Patrick Doyle from Blessed Sacrament Church, Los Angeles. Fr. Flaherty made his own annual retreat along with the brothers. The retreat ended on the feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Fr. William Shiels from St. Ignatius made his annual retreat at the Novitiate.

### First Vows

On the feast of the Immaculate Conception, Bros. Patrick J. Kelly and Walter E. Schmidt, scholastic novices, pronounced the first simple vows of the Society.



### Death of Father

Bro. Herman A. Hauck, a first year junior, was summoned to his home in Los Angeles to be present at the bedside of his father who died December 9.

## SANTA BARBARA

### Taxes

The December copy of the monthly bulletin for Our Lady of Sorrows has three pages of reading matter, most of which is devotional in character. One of the news items states that the parish taxes for the year are \$4,430.-09. Of this the parish has contributed \$3,140.06. The first installment on city and county taxes amounting to \$2,249.12 has been paid. The next installment is due in April.

### Theologate

The total plant at Santa Barbara will cost according to the present estimate \$600,500. The chapel is estimated at \$170,000; the dormitory building, \$298,000.

## SANTA CLARA

### Oil Paintings

Two beautiful oil paintings adorn each side of the main altar of the Santa Clara Mission, and complete the decorative scheme of the chapel. They are the work of Candelario Rivas of Spain, and are an ingenious reproduction of two of Murillo's paintings: St. Francis de Assisi and St. Anthony de Padua. As Spanish paintings they fit in well with the Spanish atmosphere which prevails in the chapel.

### Owl rejuvenated

The Owl, oldest collegiate publication of the coast, has again appeared at Santa Clara. It first appeared in 1869 and continued till 1875. It came forth from its hiding again in 1903 under the name of The Redwood, and was an excellent monthly until 1918. At present it is very emaciated, and is just a literary supplement of The Santa Clara. It is the hope of the editors to publish it as a separate magazine under the auspices of the Santa Clara Chapter of the Pi Delta Epsilon, national journalistic society.

### Gone East

Father D. J. Kavanagh, recently a professor in the liberal arts course, has gone to Philadelphia for medical

treatment. He went via the Panama Canal, as this was more restful and better for his heart.

### Christmas Exes

The mid-term examinations began December 15 for all departments of the University.

### Gift for Mother

The students made a novena of daily mass and holy communion as a Christmas gift for their mothers. Their fathers were included in a special prayer said for parents during mass.

### Father Raggio

Father Raggio died December 24, Christmas Eve. Fr. Wm. Deeney just returned from the East, said the first Mass for Fr. Raggio at 11:15.

## ST. CLARE'S CHURCH

### Ciborium

A ciborium with the capacity of some 50 hosts was recently recovered from alien hands. After being replated, it was sent at the suggestion of V. R. F. Provincial to the new Gonzaga College at Shanghai. It is the pastor's gift to our Chinese Mission.

### FR. A. RAGGIO

#### Christmas Eve

The Rev. Aloysius Raggio, S. J., pastor of St. Clare's parish for 40 years and teacher at the University of Santa Clara for 55, died at the university infirmary at the age of 87 years.

Though expected for three weeks, death of Father Raggio at 10:55 a. m. the day before Christmas, cast a gloom over the university campus which has known his kindly presence since he celebrated his first mass there in 1879.

At his bed when the end came were the Rev. Cornelius J. McCoy, president of the university and other priests of the community.

### Funeral

Funeral services were held December 28 in the mission church.

Father Joseph M. Piet, S. J., presided at the funeral.

The remains lay in state in the mission church until the funeral.

### Long Service

Father Raggio's death ended a career as priest and teacher at the

University of Santa Clara and as a pastor in that community of more than 52 years. He is said to have married and buried more persons than any other priest in the county.

Born in Bonifacio, Corsica, April 5, 1844, he entered the Society of Jesus September 1, 1862, at the novitiate in the kingdom of Monaco on the coast of Italy, remaining there as a student until 1865. Next he went to Roehampton, near London in 1866 where he remained until 1867, after which he went to Stonyhurst, England, to study philosophy. He completed this studies at Stonyhurst in 1869.

#### Came in 1871

In 1871 the young Jesuit came to America, becoming instructor of English at St. Ignatius college, of San Francisco. In 1879 he was ordained as a priest in San Francisco with the late Robert Kenna, S. J., who later became president of the University of Santa Clara.

Archbishop Sadeo Alemany of San Francisco presided at the ordination ceremony. Father Raggio said his first mass in the old Mission church on the Santa Clara campus that same year, and took his final vows as a member of the Jesuit order November 1, 1880. From 1872 to 1876 he taught at St. Ignatius' being a member of the faculty of the University of Santa Clara from 1876 to 1879. During these years he completed his theological studies.

#### Pastor

Father Raggio was pastor of St. Clare's church in Santa Clara for more than 40 years, undertaking these duties shortly after coming to Santa Clara. He retired in 1929. Besides attending to the needs of parishoners in Santa Clara, he also visited those in Los Gatos, Saratoga and Mountain View.

For 38 years he was chaplain at the Agnew State hospital, retiring from these duties in 1929. He made the trip to Agnew by horse and buggy. During one of these trips he became involved in a train accident, suffering the loss of his right eye.

#### Linguist

His ability to speak English, Italian, French, Spanish and Portuguese made his services as a parish priest more effective.

In 1912 he celebrated his golden jubilee as a member of the Society of

Jesus, the occasion being used to dedicate the Raggio Gate, the Alameda entrance to the university.

In 1929 he celebrated his golden jubilee as an ordained priest.

## SAN FRANCISCO

### The Dons

After long discussion by a committee of sixteen members, four from the liberal arts student body, four from the alumni, four from the law college student body, four from the faculty, a new name was chosen in December 1931 instead of "Gray Fog."

The Chamber of Commerce objected to the splendor of San Francisco's climate being dampened by write-ups on gray fog. As the old name had never been popular with the student body of the University of San Francisco, there was no difficulty in co-operating with the Chamber of Commerce in the search for a better name. Even Hatlo the cartoonist objected to the old name, saying to those who found fault because he did not feature the University more that he could not draw a picture of a gray fog.

Of 128 names submitted, all animals were discarded as not being of avail to designate the other activities of the University: The name, "The Dons," recalls the days of Portola, and is replete with San Francisco's days of splendor, and can be used to designate literary societies, honor clubs, and all the other many activities of university life.

### New Director

Father James Taylor has been appointed Director of the Gentlemen's Sodality.

### Cemetery

The former option on the Masonic Cemetery has been cancelled, and efforts are being made to obtain a reduction on the original price of \$690,000. Mr. Scaler has asked \$590,000; but this figure is not low enough for the Fathers, particularly as the Odd Fellows offer their cemetery for \$300,000.

### Bagdad Incorporated

The University of San Francisco is one of the nine institutions in the United States which lend their moral support to the future College at Bagdad. The nine institutions are: Georgetown U., Fordham U., Boston College, Holy Cross, St. Louis U., Detroit U., Loyola U. (Chicago and



New Orleans), San Francisco U. The position on this board carries no financial obligations and gives no administrative control.

## SAN JOSE

### BELLARMINE PREP

#### Sodalists

It was edifying to see sixty-nine candidates received into the Sodality of the Blessed Virgin during solemn high mass on the feast of the Immaculate Conception. Father James Malone, sodality director, was celebrant; Father Wallace Austin, deacon; Mr. John J. Preston, subdeacon; Mr. Frank Schoenberg, master of ceremonies.

#### New Shrine

A statue of Our Lady, ordered by the students last July, arrived at Bellarmine December 1. Following the May devotions last year, a move was started by the sophomore class to raise a fitting shrine. Generous subscriptions made possible the selection of a life size figure from the models of Kaletta Company of St. Louis. A corps of students turned out shortly after its arrival, to prepare a spot among the garden trees. An artisan was constructing a bower patterned on the one near the road at Los Gatos.

#### Social Hall

Bellarmino Guild undertook a big "job" when it ambitioned founding a social hall for the students. The remodeling of the room was finished early this semester; and now the furnishing is completed. A clubroom atmosphere was effected by heraldic curtains, smoked oak tables, leather clubroom sets and rockers, etc. The formal presentation to the school will take place with appropriate ceremony on the afternoon of January 5.

#### One Act Plays

Mr. Aruthur H. Kenny merited much praise for his work with the three one act plays. Unknown to us a feature writer of a local paper saw the main performance and next day published a rather long article favorably criticising the selections, individual actors and coach.

#### Renovation

Fr. Malone gave the renovation tridiums at Santa Clara and Bellarmine Prep.

## HOLY FAMILY

### Missions

Fathers Tranchese and Cavallanti have so far 36 missions and tridiums to give. By December 1, they had given 10.

## ST. JOSEPH'S

### Christmas Services

Midnight High Mass at Notre Dame Convent, Father Laherty.

Midnight Mass at St. Joseph's, Father Grisez, celebrant; Father Ivancovich, deacon; Father Simpson, subdeacon.

The low masses were at the usual hours, until 11:00 when there was a second Solemn High; Father Laherty, celebrant and preacher; Father Simpson, deacon; Father Nestor, subdeacon.

A professional choir of twenty voices sang the mass under the direction of C. A. Fitzgerald, organist.

High Mass at Holy Family, 5:30 a. m., Father Simpson.

#### Visitor

V. R. Father Francis Menager, Superior of Alaska, spent three days at St. Joseph's.

#### Sick

Brother Twohig was very sick for two or three weeks. He had made his retreat at Los Gatos, and came home feeling splendid. But his old diabetic trouble returned in a bad form, and put him to bed.

#### Baptisms

In December Father Ivancovich baptized five children, who are brothers and sisters, ranging in age from six years to one. Through carelessness, their baptism had been put off. There should have been six children, but death suddenly carried off the two-year old, two days before. This hurried up matters. The Holy Family Sisters brought the group to receive the sacrament.

### St. Joseph's Bulletin

Anyone who has ever seen the Church Calendar which Father Thornton puts out each month, is deeply interested in the monthly, and is apt to say at once that it is the best calendar edited in the country.

This is what others believe and practice, for it is safe to say that no other bulletin in the country is so widely copied, quoted, taken bodily by church bulletin editors as this one.

## ST. MARY'S

### School

The enrollment at the school has increased this year, the total is 215. Of these 60 are new pupils added by the industry of the pastor who went to parents whose children were going to public schools, and obtained a transfer. Thus no children were taken from other Catholic Schools.

### Play

A very enjoyable Christmas entertainment was given by St. Mary's parochial school. A Christmas atmosphere of piety and fun pervaded the program. For the children taking part, the make-believe was so easy that they enjoyed it as much as the audience.

## PORT TOWNSEND

### Jubilarian

Fr. Alexander M. Diomed, S. J., who celebrated his 70th anniversary in the Society, on November 21, 1931, has been nearly three years at Manresa Hall, near the Olympic Mountains. He is the senior patriarch of the Province of California. In May, 1931, he reached his 89th year; on August 15, 1931, he completed 50 years of religious profession; and on January 1, 1932, he was 60 years a priest.

### Deathbed

Father Benn was with Father Soer when the latter died at Great Falls.

## SEATTLE COLLEGE

### Visitors

Rev. Fr. Provincial and his Socius, and Vice Provincial, Rev. W. Fitzgerald, arrived here on November 16. They left for Sheridan on Nov. 18.

### Celebrations

At the special invitation of Fr. John Keep, President of Gonzaga University, Rev. Fr. Rector and D. Reidy, both former presidents of Gonzaga, journeyed to Spokane to be present at the Gonzaga Homecoming, Saturday, November 21.

At the same time, Fr. Minister represented the Seattle College community at the celebration held at Manresa Hall, Port Townsend, to honor the venerable Jubilarian, Fr. Alexander Diomed, on the seventieth

anniversary of his entrance into the Society.

### Help for the Missions

The appeal made by Fr. D. J. Sullivan to the high school students and their parents for the needy Indian boys at St. Ignatius Mission, Montana, met with a generous response. Material of all kinds, bats, balls, foot-balls, etc., besides a goodly supply of warm winter clothing were collected within a few days. A large sign on the notice board near the Principal's office, drawn by one of our budding high school cartoonists, graphically depicted the appeal. In one corner of the poster a shower of discarded articles was represented pouring in as a result of the appeal, while in another under the caption, "Heap Big Present From Blackrobe," the missionary was pictured distributing the contents of the big box to the delighted Indians.

Mite boxes, furnished by the Missionary Society of Mt. St. Michael's, were placed in the classrooms of the High School during Advent. A generous response was the result.

### Injured

Mr. O'Callaghan scratched his foot and was threatened with blood poisoning and was sent to the hospital for a few days in December.

### Bazaar

In an effort to raise funds to start a new church, St. Ignatius parish held a bazaar in December. At present the church is a log structure. The parish was organized two years ago by Rev. Robert V. Burns, S. J. He was succeeded in January 1931 by Rev. John F. Hayes, S. J.

But in spite of the generous and cheerful work of the parishoners and other friends, the St. Ignatius Bazaar was a "noble experiment." The receipts were \$100 less than the expenses. The people have no money, and on the last night, the weather was so stormy that it was dangerous to drive out.

## GONZAGA UNIVERSITY

### Chapel Organ

The organ in the students chapel has been rejuvenated by the addition of a set of gears to the air supply system. The wooden shelf attached to the instrument has supplemented the former cumbersome concrete block used as a base for the power unit.



### Senior Rings

A new system is being tried by the senior class of the college in the selection of their graduation ring. During the preceding years they have chosen the ring that most suited their particular fancies. This year from the three most prominent jewelers of Spokane, a ring will be selected that will meet all the requirements of the best in symbolic jewelry, and will be the standard for the University for future years.

This system is not new and untried, as many colleges throughout the United States are using it with great success, as a mark of distinction and individuality.

### Junior Sodality

All the members of the Junior High School Sodality which is under the direction of Father Buschor, were urged to join the "True Gentlemen" division, whose purpose is to exclude immoral and vain language from their conversation.

### Help Indian Missions

Father Driscoll has asked the mission committee to prepare a box of old clothing and toys to be sent to the Indian Missions which are very much in need. All of the high school students are asked to spend five cents for a candy bar and leave it in the mission box. These candy bars are a gift to be sent along with the clothes and toys.

### Armistice Mass

Mass was said in the student chapel on Armistice Day for the repose of the souls of those who died during the World War. Father Bailey, major in the army reserve corps, and a professor of Gonzaga, said the Mass. This was most appropriately done, as Father Bailey served actively as a chaplain in the Great War.

The student body offered Communion for those who had died in the war.

### Retreat

Gonzaga was fortunate in having for the University Retreat, two Jesuit Fathers from the Atlantic Coast, Father Sidney J. Smith and Father Peter A. O'Brien. The student body was enthusiastic over both of them.

### Test for Pre-Meds

The Association of American Medical Colleges has inaugurated an aptitude test for those who desire to ap-

ply for admission into a medical school.

This test was held at Gonzaga, December 11.

The test contains six divisions: Scientific Vocabulary; Pre-Medical Information; Comprehension and Retention; Visual Memory; Memory for Content; and Understanding of printed material.

All papers are graded by the Committee of American Medical Colleges. The results are compiled in book form, and reported in confidence to the deans of all class A medical schools.

## MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

### Colds

Numerous colds invaded the community, and put Mr. Wilfred Crowley to bed with the flu.

### Appendices

Messrs Carr and Woodley have both lost theirs. Mr. Carr required an unusual amount of ether and time to be ready for the operation.

### Liquid Ice

Ice and snow were in perfect condition for winter sports. Then a south wind came and covered the ground with cold and dirty slush.

### Mr. Healy

Mr. John Healy is not so well. The progress made in Santa Barbara seems to have been lost again.

### Insurance

Fortunately, Father Sauer refused to let the insurance on St. Paul's lapse. Had he followed others in this, he would today be out \$35,000 which has been paid for St. Paul's. The payment would have been higher, had more care been exercised in representing the buildings and their contents.

In a similar way insurance was paid back on Pendleton and De Smet.

### Pastor III

Father Van Hoomisen went to hospital, December 3. He had a very bad cold. Meanwhile his place at the Hill-yard parish was taken by Father Fletcher.

## TACOMA

### Father Lynch

After some three months at Missoula, Father Lynch has returned to Tacoma, and is stationed at St. Leo's. He has been very unwell, and was in

the hospital at Missoula for nearly two months. His health is still poor.

### Retreats

There were two triduums in December, one given by Father Dan Stack to the boys at Bellarmine High; one by Father Charles O'Brien for the girls at Visitation Valley.

### Auto Given

Money was raised by the friends of Father John McAstocker, and was given to him in the form of a new automobile. His popularity is evidenced by the fact that at the party at which the gift was made, the largest crowd of the season filled St. Leo's gymnasium to capacity.

### First Friday

On First Friday, Mass is celebrated in the school chapel and the students receive Communion in a body.

### Lion Praised

St. Leo's High School paper has been cited for four years in succession by the National Scholastic Press Association for its excellence.

The paper's editorial staff has been given a new office in the school building for the editing of the school paper.

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## MISSIONS

### ALASKA

#### Nome

Father Edward Budde had a stormy October ride from Seattle to Nome. "The sea pounded the ship, jumped on it, rolled it sideways, tipped it up on end, and then climbed up to the top deck and raced all over it."

Father Budde has a bad leg. The trouble started during convalescence after an operation in Ketchikan. The pain had left, but when the patient walked around, the leg became swollen between the knee and the ankle, and still has this dropsical appearance. Dr. Ash of Seattle calls it phlebitis.

Father Hubert Post, who had received a telegram to be ready to fly to Holy Cross, introduced Father Budde to the work of the parish at Nome. Nome itself has gone down since its days of glory, and its ramshackle, weather-beaten edifices invite the flames to put an end to their miseries.

The parish house is a three story building, part of which is used as a chapel, as the beautifully appointed

church is so much too large now, that it is occupied only on special occasions. The Eskimos also come to the parish house; they used to have a church of their own, but the building serves other purposes now.

### Out Five Dollars

When Father Edward Budde moved from Ketchikan, he had to sail down to Seattle and there catch the boat for Nome. With him he brought a necessary bottle of Mass wine, and had also been given a helpful preventative and cure for colds.

As he was leaving the boat at Seattle, his valise was searched by the custom official who pulled out the bottle of wine. "You are fined \$5.00. And the wine is confiscated."

Father rightly protested, for he did need the wine for Nome. The official said that he had no instructions favoring such cases, but offered to go and see his higher officer. While he was gone, Fr. Budde removed the cold cure to his own person, so that when the official came back saying that there was no regulation in favor of the Father, there was nothing further in the satchel which might in any way contribute to the support of the United States.

The fine was paid and the confiscation was made. Father was told that he could protest to Washington, and maybe get some restitution of his property.

### Mountain Village

Father Paul O'Connor is stationed at Mountain Village, on the lower Yukon. The church is a frame building with a shingle roof, and one stove pipe. His quarters are behind the church; the roof is leaky, and the house cold and damp. There were hundreds of mice in the dirt of the house, this has been largely removed, but the mice still remain.

### The Plane

The following telegram was sent by Brother Lapeyre from Tacoma on December 5. It was addressed to his father who is in New Orleans.

Flying from McGrath to Holy Cross, motor last revolutions, so we landed to check. Snow was several feet deep so we were unable to get off again. For several days it stormed, and we had to use our torch and fuel to cook. When good weather came, our torch for heating motor and fuel was spent. We were out for ten days and nights. Temperature



varied from forty above to twenty below. Were taken in by dog team. Will have plane fly us in with fuel, as conditions of snow for landing and take off now perfect. Regards from both.

### Snowed In

On account of the heavy storms of snow, the final instructions given by Father Edward Cunningham were that the Brothers should cover the plane for the winter, and go on by dog team to Holy Cross.

## CHINA

### GONZAGA COLLEGE

Gonzaga College is going along as well as can be expected for the first year. Ours find that the Shanghai boys, that is to say, the foreign element, require a different training than the average American boy. Life in the foreign colony there seems to require more distractions than it does at home. Their attitude towards serious study is rather on the negative side.

It was the best solution of a difficult situation to begin at the bottom and build up. Maybe within a year or two, the pupils will be properly disposed. They have been so accustomed to have things done for them since infancy, when the "amah", or Chinese nurse-girl, carried them around, that they lack much of the initiative to do things for themselves, which we find in the ordinary boy at home. But they will learn.

Father Lennon spends the week-end at Sacred Heart Church, where he helps Father John Piet, the brother of Very Rev. Father Provincial.

### Renovation

The scholastics renewed their vows on the feast of Christ the King. This early date was chosen because the annual retreat occurs in January.

During the triduum, the scholastics at Zikawei were awakened at 11:00 p. m. to put out a fire which had started in the refectory of the domestics, near the kitchen. It destroyed two rooms, but the Scholastics' bucket brigade had it almost entirely out, before the city firemen rickshawed to the scene.

## Deaths in the Provinces of the United States

Fr. Michael Grace, Nov. 29, 1931, New Orleans, La. (N. O.)

Fr. Aloysius Raggio, Dec. 24, 1931, Santa Clara, Calif. (Cal.)

## Deaths of Relatives

Charles M. Hauck, father of Bro. Herman Hauck, a Junior, died in Los Angeles, December 9.

## ST. PAUL'S, MONTANA

### Gale

November 5, 1931, was a red day of catastrophe for St. Paul's Mission, Montana. At 4 a. m. there was no sound of wind or storm, but at 5:00, a howling gale swept down from the Mission Canyon in the Little Rockies. This was unusual.

### Fire!

At 6:30 Father Feusi and I were saying Mass, he for the Sisters, and I in our own chapel. At the Epistle, Brother Fox was called out, and returned near the end of Mass to call everyone out to fight a fire in the kitchen. Smoke was billowing over the premises, and flames were thrusting through the shingles. We had almost no water pressure, years of drought had badly diminished our supply. A little garden hose trickled forth a pitiful dribble, and every now and then a man dashed up madly with a pail half filled with water it had taken a minute to draw.

### Dining Rooms

We failed in our attempts to confine the fire to the interior of the building long enough to smother it there. The long, waving flames at last appeared, and the wind wrapped them around every bit of wood in reach. Children and grown-ups rushed in the doomed building and hauled out the contents. Some of these might as well have been left within, for they were thrown to the leeward side of the building, and a few minutes later the fire reached out and reduced them to ashes and twisted metal.

### Sister Escapes

One of the Sisters braved the burning dining rooms and kitchen so often that she was as sooty as a chimney sweep. I had to command her to stay

outside. Later she was trapped in the Sisters' chapel and had to jump out of the window. Luckily she was not injured.

### Church

A few moments after the flames burst forth from the dining room, the cinders flew towards the Mission Church. A great shower of them ignited the shrubbery and the wooden stairway. The fire was put out, but another shower rekindled it. Then a series of waves of burning particles attacked the church, and we ran in to save what we could. The organ was too heavy. The oaken pews were left where they were. The Blessed Sacrament was carried out by Fr. Feusi. One set of vestments was rescued and a few other things.

The roof of the church was now blazing in twenty places, the window frames were afire, and smoke was rolling through the structure. There had been beautiful paintings on the ceiling which had attracted tourists for many a year. And the twin towers of the church, lovely even now in their blackened desolation, had just been completed.

### Sisters' Building

Now the fire leaped to the Sisters' building, and the eaves were aflame for twenty feet. The fire did its work here more swiftly than anywhere else. Almost nothing was saved. I removed the Blessed Sacrament to our chapel. The Sisters and girls lost everything except what they were wearing. The buildings were so close together that they formed almost a unit. The wind drove the fire about so furiously that in a few minutes all were aflame, and soon became raging furnaces.

### Roof Melts

Luckily the wind kept to its original direction, else the Fathers' building would have been destroyed. It stands some 60 feet from the church. The heat was great enough to melt the composition roofing. As the post office is in this building, I had to take out the stamps, money orders, records and packages.

### Granary Burns

The blaze from the church diminished with the collapse of the roof. But the granary 150 feet away took fire and sank to the ground within a

quarter of an hour. It was a large building and housed our flour and wheat and machinery. The flour was hauled out by two or three trucks which had come to the fire, and was piled in the stubble field, and was saved. The wheat we could not save, however, it was not all destroyed. The garages, close to the granary, took fire again and again, but as they were out of the course of the wind, it was not difficult to extinguish the blaze.

### Breakfast

At ten o'clock when the wind had died down, we ate breakfast under the wide sky in a creek bed. Some boiling oat meal and coffee had been taken off the kitchen range, but was considerably cooled off by this time.

### Help Given

The girls whose families live nearby, were taken home. As soon as we have several outbuildings in shape, we will recall as many as we can find. Many of the men working on the outbuildings are donating their labor, at least some days of it. We are receiving some help from people in Havre, Harlem, and Chinook. Superintendent Shotwell will let me have some school desks at a very reasonable figure, and perhaps some bedsteads. The Red Cross depends for permission to help upon the St. Louis office; perhaps it will be given.

### Cheerful

A brave and cheerful spirit is shown by everyone. Things could have been worse. We might have had some funerals for fire victims. We might have been driven out into a raging blizzard. For the first two days we took our lunch out of doors. But the days were getting colder and wintry, with a threat of snow ready to come at any moment.

### Located

The log house built by Fr. Eberschweiler, is being enlarged. It will contain a dormitory, recreation room, infirmary and a class room. The boys moved in for Christmas. The girls and Sisters are to occupy the Fathers' building, where the Fathers will remain until next summer. Then a residence for them, and a church for the Indians will be built.